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This Oak Sideboard golden finish: pattern plate: 32x18; 6 ft. 614 in. high; very handsome-\$21.50



This extra high-grade Golden Oak Chamber Suite, swell drawers, brass trimmings, fine piano \$31.00



We want you to be sure and see our Crockery Department. It is in the basement and occupies hears whole floor. We show an elegant assortment of all grades of goods. We offer a full 100-piece Dinner Set, decorated tastefully and of hand- \$8.50 come shape for basement and occupies nearly the some shape, for



This solid Oak or Mahog any finished Parlor Table; 24 inches square; heavily beaded rim, shaped legs,

\$1.59



Solid Oak Chamber Suite, extra heavy, handsomely carved and beaded; bevel plate mirror; 3-drawer dress and combination commode. \$16. \$16.00

This Solid Oak Hall

Rack; has shoe box un-

der seat; stands 6 ft. 6

in high, 26 in. wide; French bevel plate: 18x

\$7.00



Large line of odd Upholatered Chairs; handsome patterns and new coverings One like cut, wark mahogany finish, \$7.00

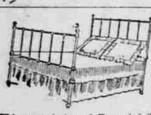


Solid Oak Dining Chair, high back, brace arms, cane seat, three stretchers in front, well made and finished, 73°



This solid Golden Oak China Closet; rubbed finish; bent glass ends; regular \$22

\$14.50

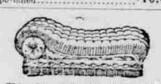




Suite; pattern Frederickser, \$29.00 cast brass trimmings



ble, 44-inch top, five hand fluted legs, highly \$10.00



This elegant Gondola Couch, 25 in. wide, 6 ft. 8 in. long, covered in handsome velours; has five rows tufting and is fringed to the floor. \$13.75 A genuine bargain st.....



quartered

Handsome Oak Chiffonier, full swelled front; 5 drawers and bonnet box; 24x14 French beveled plate mirror; brass trimmed,





SE & HERRMANN,



eak Dining Chair, handsomely embossed back, turned spindles, brace arms; \$1.75 value, for





This handsome Cobbler Seat Rocker, solid oak henutiful back-



Smyrna Rugs. 9 ft. 6 in.x10 ft. 6 in.....

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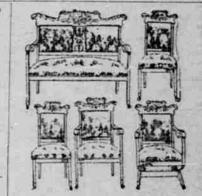
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ceptional value at.

Solid Cak Extension Table, cluster legs, with cross pieces. Ex. \$6.75



holstered spiece Parlor Suite, fram mahogany hnish and tastily carve The colors of the goods are assorts \$18.00



Solid Oak Suite, 24x20 French bev eled plate; swelled top drawers. Has bold overlaid carvings; is

NEW YORK BANKS HURT BY FAILURE.

AID IN FINANCING BIG CONCERNS.

Troubles of the Hartman Manufac turing Company Revived-Some of the Losses Quite Heavy-Investigation in Progress.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.-Despite all efforts to keep the facts from the public, it has been learned that several leading New York banks have suffered from the finarcial troubles of the Hartman Manufacturing Company, which has just gone into

the hands of a receiver. The ambition of two young New Yorkers to finance the concern on a hage scale with borrowed capital is said to have brought on the collapse. A half dozen lawyers and capitalists representing the New York banks are now in Pittsburg investigating the affairs of the company, and particular., its history in the last

few months. The Bank of the State of New York is chiefly responsible for the receivership. Its \$25,600 loan to the company fell due November 18, and was not paid. It was only one of several banks which fornished the money to float the company on the big scale planned by the two am bitious young promoters.

Some of the Losses.

Other banks in the city which are said to have loaned money to the company

First National Bank, \$100,000 Hanover National Bank, about \$50,000. City National Bank, about \$50,000. Other banks here, in Pittsburg, and in Ohio are among the list of creditors, who

altogether represent an indebtedue is said, of ever \$600,000. The Hartman Company is a steel and wire concern. The two promoters who expected to develop a great company out of the Hart man concern are William J. Kiefer for merly a lawyer of this city, and F. A Ulmstead, formerly a hardware salesman Ulmstead, formerly a hardware salesman, also of this city. They bought out the company in March last. Up to that time its capital stock had been \$250,000. They came back to New York with letters of introduction to Elverton R. Chapman, as broker at 80 Broadway. Chapman was formerly with Moore & Schley, and is well known on account of his connection with the Sugar Trust. They told Chapman they wanted a loan of \$125,000 to finish payment on their purchase of the ish payment on their purchase of the Hartman concern. Chapman thought it a good loan and so told the directors of the City Trust Company, of whom he is one. He told them that if they would make the loan he would guarantee it and take the bonus or they might make it and take the bonus themselves. The latter propo-sition was accepted and the loan was

Steps Taken in Court. Mr. Chapman and Stuart H. Patterno

well-known accountant, went to Pitts burg a few nights ago for the various banks in this city, and as a result of their visit Judge M. W. Acheson, of the United States Circuit Court, appointed the Union Trust Company receiver for the concern. The notes held by the other hanks of this city have not yet matured. Lawyers

He thinks that with careful management by the re-civer all will come out right.

Knox & Reid, of Pittsburg, Attorney
General Knox's law firm, are looking out
for the New York creditors. It is said that the total indebtedness of the com-pany will amount to \$600,000.

NOT A WHITE MAN'S COUNTRY. Representative Green Would Not

Live in the Philippines. Looking like a Pennsylvania ceal miner wearing a Lord Chumley overcoat, a sky blue silk shirt, a black necktie, and a soft hat his face and hands covered with the dust of travel of six days, Representative H. D. Green of Pennsylvania blew into the lobby of Willard's Hotel last

Mr. Green has just returned from the Orient. He was of the Congressional party that visited the Philippines, China, and Japan during the past five months. In that time he traveled thirty-three thousands the congressional party of the party of the congressional party of the party of the congressional sand miles, of which twenty-two thousand was on water

Speaking of his trip last night, be said e had a most enjoyable time and the inaking of his trip last night, he said formation he had acquired concerning our new possessions more than repaid When asked what he thought of the Philtppines, he said:
"If the islands were given to me in fee

simple on condition that I should spend the rest of my days over there I would not accept them. It is not a white num's country. I could not live there, and my life is no better than those of our bray boys who are on the islands defending the

Just at this point Representative How-ard Mutchier of Pennsylvania came in and warmly embraced Mr. Green. "When I first saw you," said Mr. Mutch-ler, "I thought you were a Pilipino. You have taken on the complexion of the na-

and requested Mr. Mutchler to tell him all about the recent election in Pennsyl-

MUST BE ALL BOXING.

Mayor of New Haven Will Have No Slugging.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 1 .- There were fears on account of the much unfavorable criticism of the Corbett-McGovern fight in Hartford on Thanksgiving Day, on the ground of its brutality, that Mayor Studiey and Superintendent Wrinn, of the New Haven police department, would not allow the fight that is booked to take place on Thursday evening this week in the Hyperion Theatre, between George McFadden, cf New York City, and Patsy Sweeney, of Manchester, N H. Mayor Studiey has announced that this mill may go on, but it will have to be a boxing exhibition, and if there are any signs of slugging the fight will be stopped

Corcoran's Team at Alexandria.

The Alexandria Light Infantry basketarranged to play a series of games in its gymnasium with the second or reserve teams of this city's lengue. The Infant:y teams of this city's league. The infantry will play only with teams registered in the Amateur Athletic Union, and the Corcoran Cadets are the first on the schedule and they will play their game to-morrow night. When the Alexandrians have had the good practice the reserve teams give, games will then be arranged with the first or league teams. with the first or league teams.

League Basketball Games.

HELD FOR THE HIGHER REWARD.

Enfaula Authorities Want Money for Swindler Arrested There.

Until Captain Boardman hears from the Alabama authorities he will not know whether a member of his staff will go to Eufaula today to bring back Samuel Franklin Murphy, also known by the aliases of J. Thornton, Capt. J. B. Hamilcity on a charge of passing worthless checks.

The uncertainty is the result of the attempt of the Eufaula authorities to knock down the prisoner to the highest bidder. It appears that Murphy is wanted not only in this city, but in many other

which resulted from a descriptive circular sent out by the Washington authorities, containing a picture of the man and a facsimile of the check he passed in this city, came an enquiry as to what reward was offered for the man. The police were disinclined to offer a reward. But one of the alleged victims, John Breedon, of Remington, Va., stated that he would give \$25 for the satisfaction of seeing the man brought to justice. This information was telegraphed to Eufaula, and a response in expected at any time.

Murphy is a suave talker, is usually at-tired in a Prince Albert coat, and has turned as many tricks on the police everywhere as he has visited cities, both East and West. He is wanted in the far South and in Virginia, where he posed as a min-

At Finievville, Pa., he is necused of robbery and descrition, and Mrs. Sarah L. Dill has come forward as his accuser. She eclares she was married to Murphy, and that within a mouth he deserted her and robbed her of \$2,500. On the night of November 5 the accom-

plished Murphy was in this city, and he passed a worthless check for \$125 before his departure. The check was endorsed by one John Griffin, furniture dealer, who met Murphy casually through John Breedon, merchant, of Remington, Va. The check was cashed at the Washington Loan and Trust Company and proved worth-less. The fraud was not discovered for several days, however, and Murphy was

then not to be found.

Even before the local police heard of Murphy, who cut a clean swath through Virginia towns with his ingenious swindling operations, Mrs. Dill bobbed up at Finleyville, Pa., to denounce him. She had written to the police of Glasgow, Scotland, whither she learned that a man

supposed to be Murphy had gone.
It developed that Murphy had not been in Glasgow for ten years back, yet the police of that city notified the authorities here in the regular course of procedure that Murphy was wanted in Pennsylvania. A photograph of the fugitive was sent here, as was his description, the same ball team, through Manager Pitts, has that Mrs. Dill had ferwarded some months

ago to Glasgow.

It was about this time, a month ago, that Murphy operated in the far South in the guine of an evangelist, during Sep-tember and October, he apent much time in Georgia, visiting Linthenla and other towns, gradually making his way north-ward into Virginia. He stopped for recks at Hemington. There he beld revival meetings by the score, drawing crowds. Among his listeners was one John Breeden, of Remington, Va., v. so formed an attachment for Murphy, and finally followed him on his departure from his own town. Murphy stopped fo a time at Manassas, Va., preaching the valle the doctrine of the brethren, to be was wont to style his remarks.

ceremony was arranged according to such affairs, and Marphy left Remington, presumably to return for the wedding. In this city Murphy found it unsafe to remain, and he disappeared the 'ay following his arrival, having taken advantage of an opportunity to pass a worthless check during his edjourn. His marriage at Remington was scheduled for the very day he departed from Washington, but it did not take place.

Detective Tyser made an investigation when the check given by Murphy was re-

ton and James L. Douglas, the slieged bogus evangelist, who is wanted in this was entered by Griffin, the endorser. into Virginia and learned much about Murphy. On his return circu-lars were sent out to thousands of cities and towns over the country saking the

arrest of the fugitive.

Murphy claimed to have a gold mine in California, and the police believed for a time that he had gone West. Once or twice he wrote to the young woman at With the announcement of his arrest, thich resulted from a descriptive circustic balle to track Murphy, and his arrest fol-

lowed. He is forty years old. THREE-ACT COMEDY PLAYED. Members of the Sacagerband Pre-

sent "The Latchkey." Domestic supremacy provided the scheme for a two-act comedy, entitled history as a most remarkable one—remarkable in the smallest percentage of the Saengerbund Hali by the dramatic section of the bund. The members of the caste, whose rendition of the comedy displayed histrionic ability of a high order, were F. Altrup and Frau Altrup, Herr A. to come. Levy and Frau F. Carl.

At the conclusion of the play Mrs. Altrup and Mrs. Carl were presented by President Frank Claudy with large bouquets of roses. Amid the merriment of the large audience a cabbage head, artis tically decorated with lemon slices an small onions, was presented to Mr. Levy. This evening the bund will entertain its members and friends at the annual ball to be given at the National Rifles Arm-ory. Next Sunday evening the first public concert of the senson will be given at the New National Theatre. A

programme of exceptional artistle m

Curse DRINK

WHITE RIBBON REMEDY

Endorsed by Members of W. C. T. U. this city have not yet matured. Lawyers representing the creditors of the concern in this city went to Plitsburg yesterday to make full investigation. It is said that several of the banks are well secured, both by endor-sement and with collateral.

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BENNING MEETING A REMARKABLE ONE.

FAVORITES WIN FEW EVENTS.

Smallest Percentage Takes First Money Ever Recorded on Any Track-A Success Despite Bad Weather.

The Benning fall meeting, which closed on Saturday, was most successful. It should be gratifying to the Washington Jockey Club to be able to show a balance on the right side of the ledger under conditions not at all favorable for racing.

Unpropitious Weather Conditions. The weather was against them all through. There was not one pleasant day during the meeting, except the closing one. But notwithstanding, the average

winning favorites ever known at any Starter Cassidy. They were obliged to track. The causes which led up to the downfall of the favorites are many, and they ever saw, and if any fault was to be the fall meeting of 1501 will be an object found it was not with the starter, but son to form students for some time

Absence of Form.

It is not that there were startling re-Such is not the case. There was no form at all. Bad horses and bad jockeys made estible for form to be lived up to. Add to this large fleius, in which the best horse gets shut off without a possible chance of getting through a bad bunca in

There were other factors, too, that upset form calculations. Several stables were here from the Canadian and Western tracks on which the bookmakers and the talent generally had no line. These horses had a long let-up and were fresh and good. When they met some of the Eastern campaigners who had been running continuously during the whole searching is mainly due to the efforts on President S. Howland. He has been untirated by the continuously during the whole searching is mainly due to the efforts on President S. Howland. He has been untirated by the continuously during the whole searching is mainly due to the efforts on President S. Howland. He has been untirated by the continuously during the whole searching is provided by the continuously during the when the supervision of the track during the when he took charge the work had already been done—and he could not improve open it.

The Pencilers in Error

Take for lustance, the first race on the ecend day of the meeting won by Aratoma, with 20 to I against him. This horse had not started since the meeting at Brighton Beach, in July, and then he was in front, for five and one-half fur-longs, of better horses than he met at Bearing. If the bookmakers thought so little of his chances as to lay 29 to 1, it had nothing to do with the running of the horse, as he was far the best in the and would have won regardless of

the size of the odds.

Then take the race of Pigeon Post when he won at 40 to 1, beating the favorite.
Lady of the Valley. There was no reversal of form to this, as Lady of the Valley, with 136 pounds on her back, was a false favorite, and at best is an inconsistent performer.

The Best Horse Won.

Take another instance—the first race that Red Damsel won, beating the favorito, Misleader. It was only a question of Red Damsel being good to make her the class of the race, as she could always beat this kind when they met, and better ones, too. The bookmakers laid S and to to I against her, with only 6 to 5 against Misleader. This goes to show that the price against a horse cuts no figure in a race, and in this case the best

Another case worth noticing is the race the bookmakers were entirely out of line.

and shows plainly that the Western form. Verify was season around St. Louis, and a fair plater. He is brought here, gets up, put in with a lot of cheap walks away with a race. T-versal of form to that, as be

the best of the race. Had th been run on the Fair Grounds or at Delmar Park. Verify in the same kind of company would have gone to the post favorite. Clean Racing Throughout.

but sufficient to demonstrate what are Eute simply facts—that the racing at Benning was clean and consistent throughout, and

that the best horses won in nine cases out of ten.

The opinion of speculators should not their judgment is apt count for much, as their judgment is apt to be biased by self-interest. If their se-lections win, the races are run all right; if they lose, these men are the first to

But it is the consensus of opinion, from all fair-minded men, winners and losers alike, that the racing at Benning was sin-gularly free from inconsistency and scan-dal of any kind whatsoever.

The Starting Excellent. The starting was excellent all through, and this statement is backed up by nen who have not always been friendly to

with the machine. with the machine.

When it is considered what a lot of bad lockeys he had to hundle. Carsidy certainly deservos great credit for his work. One thing the patrons appreciated versals of form in many of the races, was his endeavor to get off fields without vestious delays, as it was any thing but pleasant waiting during the re-cent cold weather.

Many New Track Records.

That the track was fast is evidenced by the hanging up of many new records, the There were other factors, too, that up- credit for which very justly belongs to

son they had no difficulty in taking their ing in his efforts to have everything as and a general run-down condition of the complete as possible. He was ably as-sisted by Samuel S. Ross. In fact, every member of the staff of the jockey club worked in harmony, all doing their level best, with one sole purpose in view—to give the people of Washington as good S.S.S. has done some of its quickest and best, with one sole purpose in view—to give the people of Washington as good racing as it was possible to give them. most effective work by building up the And this they did.

New Orleans Entries. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 1.-Entries for

First race-For two-year-olds; five and as a blood purifier and one-half forlongs.—J. Patrick, Hat Mitch-ell, Katherine C. 191; Lou Woods, Postil-lion, Cast Iron, Dolce Far Niente, 194; The Boston, Ada S. G. 199. way of improvement.

Second race—For three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-sixteenth miles.—Myth, Eda Ritey, 194; Jena, Frank Treland, Whisper Low, Chance y, 195; Henry of Franstamar, 195; Frank McCon—Princeton, Mo, Princeton, Mo,

Henry of Franstamar, 166; Frank Mel-Ma-nell, Maple, 197; Precursor, 198; Denator, 189; Swordsman, 119.

Third race—For three-year-olds; one mile.—John Bull, Donna Scay, 35; Harry Pullian, Jim Taylor, 98; Dally, 196; Farm-er Bennett, Monos, Little Elkin, 193; Fourth race—For three-year-olds and accepted bandless, six Gurlonga.—Tatar, upward; handleap; six furlongs.—Tatar, 50; Little Jack Horner, 51; Tom Collins, 103; Choice, 104; The Rush, 103; L'Hom-medieu, St. Cuthbert, Tom Kingsley, 105;

Henry Bert, 110; Sevoy, 120.

Fifth race—For three-year-olds and up-ward; selling; six and one half furlongs.

Olekun, 98; Reefer, 102; Nina B. L.,
Ortrud, Flop, Miss Conrad, 103; Uterpe, Another case worth noticing is the race won by Verify, opening in some books at 100 to 1. It was simply a case of where 200 to 1. It was simply a case of where 200 to 1.

ard; selling; one mile.—W. H. Dixen, ; Woodstick, 93; Free Pass, Major Mau-r, 96; Menace, 98; El Ghor, Papa Harry, igene S., Bequeath, 101; Tatar, 104; ides, 105; Jessie Jarkie, 107.

New Orleans Selections.

First race—Dolce Far Niente, Postil-ion, Cast Iron. Second race—Henry of Franstamar, Eda Third race—Gray Dully, Farmer Ben-nett, John Buil. Fourth race—L'Hommedieu entry, Tom Kingeley, Choice.

Sixth race-Andes, Free Pass, Menace.

ROCK CREEK SHUT OUT.

Defeated by the Toner Eleven by

Score of 5 to 0, The Toners defeated the Rock Creek Stars, Sunday, by the score of 5 to 0. The feature of the game was the line bucking of the Toper backs. The Topers would like to arrange a game with the Tanglewoods, Address Clifford Warden, 900 Twenty-third Street northwest.

The line-up was as follows: Positions, R. C. Stars. Toners. ...right guard....McElwee Donham. right tackle....T. Doyland left guard......Fitzgerald Scrivener left tackle. Lons J. Crayan quarterback Hurke .. right half J. Boyland Carr.

No External Symptoms.

The blood may be in bad condition, get with no external signs, no skin eruption or sores to indicate it. The symptoms in such cases being a variable appetite, poor digestion, an indescribable weakness and nervousness, loss of flesh system-clearly showing the blood has lost its nutritive qualities, has become thin blood and supplying the elements lacking to make it strong and vigorous.

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